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*County Executive*

October 4, 2012

Darrell B. Mobley, Acting Secretary  
Maryland Department of Transportation  
7201 Corporate Center Drive  
P.O. Box 548  
Hanover, MD 21076

Re: Baltimore County 2012 Recommended Transportation Priorities

Dear Secretary Mobley:

Baltimore County wishes to thank the Maryland Department of Transportation for its continuing support of our transportation priorities. While the State-funded projects advanced by the County in previous years still remain of vital concern, in recognition of these challenging economic times, Baltimore County is submitting the same two top transportation priorities as last year. I believe these projects provide strong economic development potential and will generate additional resources for the County and the State.

**1. Martin MARC Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)**

In light of the ongoing revitalization of the Middle River area, the BRAC-driven expansion of Aberdeen Proving Ground, the steady pace of new development surrounding MD 43, and the inclusion by Amtrak of a potential new Middle River station in its master plan, we feel that a relocated and expanded Martin MARC Station has great potential. Relocation of the station to the east side of MD 43 would allow the station to complement redevelopment of the 2-million-square-foot GSA Depot facility as a mixed-use, transit-oriented development to provide a vibrant mix of uses. We are very pleased that MDOT recognized this future promise by undertaking the recently completed Martin State MARC Station Relocation Feasibility and TOD Study. This Study provides a strong factual basis for future TOD planning at a relocated Martin MARC Station. In addition, during the recently concluded Baltimore County 2012 Comprehensive Zoning Map Process, the Depot site was rezoned for additional business-retail uses, bolstering our efforts for a successful TOD project.

**2. Reisterstown Road (MD 140) Traffic Improvements**

As we have mentioned in the past, the pace of development in Owings Mills (as evidenced by the existing intersection at Reisterstown and Painters Mill Roads) and the new transit-oriented development (TOD) slated for the Metro Center site will require upgrades to Reisterstown Road and its associated intersections sooner than expected. In addition, business-retail zoning was designated for the former Solo Cup site during the recently concluded Baltimore County 2012 Comprehensive Rezoning Map Process. A State Highway Administration Study of the Project Management Division conducted this past year found significant congestion along this corridor. This congestion is expected to increase given the potential development in years to come. We



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particularly endorse short term improvement recommendations as delineated in the Study for the following locations:

- **Location A:** MD 140 at Hooks Lane, which would add a left-turn lane in Hooks Lane at MD 140 in the westbound direction;
- **Location B:** MD 140 at McDonogh Road, providing for additional turn lanes;
- **Location D:** MD 140 from Garrison View Road to Owings Mills Boulevard Ramp, particularly endorsing service roads from St. Thomas Lane through Painters Mill Road to Rosewood Lane. It should be noted that the block from Painters Mill Road north to Rosewood Lane is currently subject to a major development plan by a single owner, who is supportive of the service road proposal.

We also encourage other recommendations to improve the westside Painters Mill Road at MD 140 intersection, with great urgency in view of the soon-to-be completed Metro Center TOD as well as the recently rezoned Solo Cup Project.

### **3. Interstates**

In general, continued improvements to Interstates 695 and 83 always remain a critical need.

I would like to thank you in advance for your consideration of our recommendations and I look forward to your visit to Baltimore County. We continue to value our strong working relationship with the Department of Transportation as we work to provide Baltimore County and the State of Maryland with the critical infrastructure it deserves.

Very Truly Yours,



Kevin Kamenetz  
County Executive

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## Kelly Bell

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**From:** Pam Cusic  
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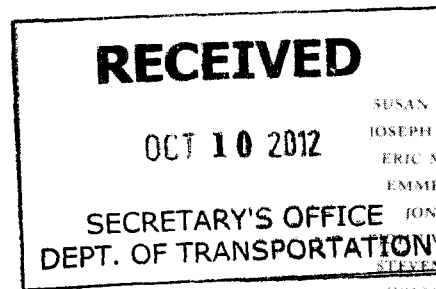
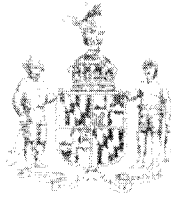
Please find attached Baltimore County 2012 Transportation Priorities' letter as submitted to Secretary Mobley. A hard copy is in the mail. In advance, we appreciate your support.

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October 9, 2012

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Dear Secretary Mobley:

As Chairman of the Baltimore County House Delegation, I am writing to offer my support of the transportation priorities of Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz. The Maryland Department of Transportation's focus on the Martin MARC Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) and the Reisterstown Road (MD 140) Traffic Improvements will aid in the community revitalization efforts of the respective areas, in addition to promoting widespread economic development. With the aligned priorities of the County and State, our shared goal of advancing transportation infrastructure can be furthered.

The Martin MARC Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) project, which would include a relocation and expansion of the Martin MARC Station, would provide transit to the Middle River area and the eastern portion of the County. The Martin State MARC Station Relocation Feasibility and TOD Study, performed by MDOT, yielded promising results based on expansion of BRAC programs in the area, justifying the County's emphasis on initializing this important project.

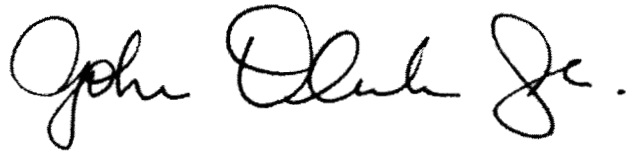
The Owings Mills and Reisterstown portions of the County are growing and developing at a rapid rate. In order to support the increase in businesses and residents in the area and relieve congestion, a significant commitment needs to be made to increasing the capacity of Reisterstown Road (MD 140). In keeping with the priorities of the County Executive, the area surrounding the recently rezoned Solo Cup Project will require improvements to aid in an influx of accessibility to this promising development project.



In addition to these specialized projects, improvements made to Interstates 695 and 83 are always necessary county-wide. I appreciate the commitment that MDOT has made to these roads specifically and the positive changes made within the last year.

Thank you for your commitment to Baltimore County and your consideration of these transportation initiatives. With your strong support we can continue to facilitate access and growth, in Baltimore County and across the State.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Olszewski, Jr." The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent.

Chairman John Olszewski, Jr.

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**From:** Pam Cusic  
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Kelly: Log into WCS

Thanks.

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Good Afternoon,

Please find attached Baltimore County Delegation 2012 Transportation Priorities letter to be submitted to Secretary Mobley, thank you.

Sincerely,  
John Olszewski, Jr.

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